

A Data Management Plan is a written document that describes data-related activities to be performed during the research process and following its completion. Many research funders expect researchers to prepare a Data Management Plan and submit it as part of their research bid or within the first six months of the project.

The LSHTM Research Data Management Service offers a range of support for researchers preparing data management plans for research funders.

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## LSHTM Support

### Health funder requirements for data management and sharing

A set of one-page guides that outline RDM requirements specified by Action Medical Research, BBSRC, Cancer Research UK, DFID, European Commission, ESRC, Gates Foundation, GlaxoSmithKline, MRC, NERC, NHS, NIH, UK Department of Health, World Cancer Research Fund, Wellcome Trust, National Institute of Health and several other funders (<http://dx.doi.org/10.17037/DATA.172>).

### Sample Data Management Plans

LSHTM-specific guides and worked examples are available for the following funders:

- Medical Research Council: <https://doi.org/10.17037/PUBS.03716763>
- Wellcome Trust: <https://doi.org/10.17037/PUBS.03716764>
- National Centre for the Replacement, Refinement & Reduction of Animals in Research: <https://doi.org/10.17037/PUBS.03716763>

### Training events for staff and students

Regular workshops and drop-in sessions are held on data-related topics. Consult the Transferrable Skills and Training & Educational Development (TED) calendar for details.

### Data Management Plan drop-in sessions

Regular drop-in sessions are held by the Research Data Management Service on data management plans. Email [researchdatamanagement@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:researchdatamanagement@lshtm.ac.uk) to book an appointment.

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## Other Resources

- DMPOnline: A web-based data management planning tool  
<https://dmponline.dcc.ac.uk/>
- MANTRA: A free online course on writing data management plans  
<http://datalib.edina.ac.uk/mantra/>
- Digital Curation Centre: An overview of funders' data policies  
<http://www.dcc.ac.uk/resources/policy-and-legal/funders-data-policies>
- Digital Curation Centre: Data Management Plans  
<http://www.dcc.ac.uk/resources/data-management-plans>
- UK Data Service: Data Management Planning  
<https://www.ukdataservice.ac.uk/manage-data/plan>

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## Book an appointment

To obtain advice on data management within your project and feedback on a draft data management plan, contact the LSHTM RDM Service at [researchdatamanagement@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:researchdatamanagement@lshtm.ac.uk).